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## IT WAS A BRILLIANT AFFAIR

Prof. and Mrs. William Emanuel Celebrated Their Eighteenth Wedding Anniversary, and Gave a Dancing Party and Reception in Honor of Newly Married Couples at the Douglas Club House.

Monday evening, Feb. 26th, prof. and Mrs. William Emanuel, who occupy one of the finest homes among the Afro-Americans in this city, 6330 Rhodes avenue, celebrated their eighteenth wedding anniversary, and gave a dancing party and reception in honor of the newly married couples at the Douglas Club House, 3516 Ellis avenue.

It was a most brilliant affair in every respect, and it places Mrs. Emanuel in the front rank as a social leader and society queen.

It was the last social function given prior to the beginning of the Lenten season.

The host and hostess were assisted in receiving their honored guests by Mrs. Bessie Warren-Welsiger, Mrs. Virgil Pumphrey, Mrs. Maggie Fite-Roberts, Mrs. Josephine Hubbard-Miller, Mrs. Marion French-Gray, Mrs. Myrtle Skinner-Coleman, Mrs. Katie Robinson-Johnson, and Mrs. Gertrude Moore Bailey, all composing the newly married couples, and Miss Genevieve Lee, who will in the near future be married to Mr. Witt.

The newly married couples and the hostess were beautifully gowned, and in fact all the ladies who had the honor of being presented to them throughout the evening were costumed in the most elegant dresses that could be created by the most fashionable modiste. White was the predominating color, and it caused its wearers to appear ever so lovely.

Promptly at 8:30 the grand march was formed, which was led by the host and hostess and the newly married couples, and it was a beautiful sight to behold. It is safe to say that it surpassed anything ever witnessed by the four hundred in this city, and as those who participated in it looked joyous and happy and free from worldly cares for the time being, and this same spirit seemed to prevail during the evening. In fact a frown could not be observed on the faces of none of the two hundred and fifty guests present, for it was more like a family reunion than an ordinary dancing party and reception, for everybody seemed to know everybody, and ceremony and introductions for the time being seemed to be out of order.

Prof. N. Clark Smith furnished the music for the joyous occasion, which will long be remembered by those who were honored with invitations to attend it, and the music was simply of a high order and very inspiring, and it was instrumental in creating a good feeling among the dancers and other guests.

Mrs. A. T. Smiley served the tempting and cooling refreshments, and she is past master in this art.

Among the many guests present were: Col. and Mrs. John R. Marshall, Dr. and Mrs. A. Wilberforce-Williams, Major and Mrs. R. R. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. French, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hockley Smiley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Gray Lucas, Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Wells, Mr. Charles H. Smiley and Mrs. C. C. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harrison Carr, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. J. Amberg Cotton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. George, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Harris, Dr. and Mrs. Rob-

ert H. Hardin, Capt. and Mrs. James S. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. Julius N. Avedorph, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Julius F. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. King, Mr. Noah D. Thompson and Mrs. Rose Lively, Mrs. Jessie Johnson and son Albert, Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Shaffer, Prof. and Mrs. N. Clark Smith, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Tivis, Mr. and Mrs. James Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. David Manson, Mr. and Mrs. James Barnett, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Zedicks, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. George Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Woodard, Mr. and Mrs. L. N. Hoggott, Mr. and Mrs. George Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. William P. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert L. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Williams, father and mother of the hostess.

Mesdames Hotsie Johnson, M. Granberry, D. Young, Howard Cornwall, Philip Green, J. E. Thompson, Marie C. Hubbard, Anna Wells-Fitts, Amanta Hardy, A. E. Brown.

The Misses Emma Shaw, Mabel Boths, Mabel Reynolds, the Misses Eryants, Myrtle Collins, Blanche Shaw, Lizzie Johnston, Mamie Seldon, Daisy Hoggott, Essie Arnold, Hazel Hodge, Jessie Gillespie, Hattie Curtis, Blanche Wright, Grace Knighten and America Brown.

Dr. Daniel H. Williams, Col. B. F. Moseley, Dr. A. W. Smith and Messrs. J. N. Blackshear, William Carroll, William D. Moore, Arthur A. Wells, Theodore W. Jones, Jr., F. L. Barnett, Jr. and brother, J. M. Anderson, W. R. Sobers, Harrison Floyd and McKinley Emanuel and Frank Hamilton.

On leaving the club house the cream of the four hundred were unanimous in wishing Prof. and Mrs. Emanuel continued happiness and prosperity, and that they may live to celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary.

On or about the first of last October, a cut of one of the most prominent Afro-American Doctors in this city appeared in the columns of the unleader, and each and every week thereafter the same cut could be observed in some part of the paper referred to, in the meantime the good Doctor, was busy in urging his friends among the M. D.'s to cultivate the friendship of the spreadeagle editor of the unleader, and drop a check for ten or fifteen dollars into his slippery hand, as he was in a position to do them some good, but lately no cut nor one line has appeared in the columns of the unleader in reference to the eminent Dr. and his movements, and some claim that he fully realizes the fact that he ran up against a gold brick or a brace game.

### THE CIVILIZATION OF THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS.

Tuesday evening March 6, Julius F. Taylor, will address the St. John Literary Society, which meets in St. John's A. M. E. church Throop street, near 63rd street. On "The Civilization of The Ancient Egyptians." An interesting program has been arranged for the occasion.



MRS. GEORGE C. HALL.

Who May be Induced to Give Another Frederick Douglass Centre Charity Ball at the Close of the Lenten Season.

### ATTORNEY EDWARD E. WILSON AND HIS NEW CLIENT, COL. "PONY" MOORE.

The Sham Reformer Was Anxious to Read the Chapter on Col. "Pony" in Clifton R. Woodbridge's Famous Book, "Hands Up in the World of Crime!"

The latter part of last September, after the police had made two or three successful raids on Col. "Pony" Moore's fine resort, 173 E. Twenty-first street, who was for a long time acclaimed the Boss or the Lord Mayor of the "Red Light District" by his devoted followers, the writer met Attorney Edward E. Wilson, who has always posed as a great reformer, and while in conversation with him he grew exceedingly red in his face while declaring "that such creatures as Col. "Pony" Moore should be driven out of town, for the kind of place kept by him was a disgrace to the Afro-American race, and to the respectable colored men who are engaged in the saloon business in this city." He went on to say "that he wanted to commend The Broad Ax for the position it had assumed in reference to Colored, ladies frequenting Col. Moore's resort, and that "Pony" Moore must not think because he had money to burn that he was greater than the laws of this city, and that he could at all times, as far as the city was concerned, conduct his police-record saloon and the Hotel De Moore to suit himself."

Attorney Wilson continued the conversation in this strain from his office, 113 Adams street, to the Western Trust and Savings Bank, 159 LaSalle street, where he drew some money to pay his subscription to The Broad Ax, and in the most emphatic language he declared "that it is greatly to be deplored that the average Negro entertains such shallow ideas in relation to decency and morality, and that men of the stamp of Col. "Pony" Moore should not be permitted to continue in business nor to associate with first-class gentlemen."

On or about December 15th we called on Mr. Wilson to solicit his professional card for the Tenth Anniversary Edition of The Broad Ax, and during our conversation with him seemingly his mind wandered back to his new-found friend or client, Col. "Pony" Moore, and he wanted us to inform him where he could secure a copy of Clifton R. Woodbridge's book "Hands Up in the World of Crime," as he desired to read the chapter it contained on Col. "Pony" Moore. He was informed that he could find the book on sale at 340 State street, and we advised him to get and read it for himself.

Within a few days from that time we met Attorney Wilson on Dearborn

street, between Madison and Washington streets, and he intimated "that possibly he would become Col. "Pony" Moore's attorney, and that we ought to state in the columns of The Broad Ax that Major Franklin A. Denison, for some cause or other was afraid to go to West Grossdale and try a case before Justice Willis Melville (who to all appearances is as crooked as a ram's horn) for Col. Moore."

No further conversation was held along this line with Attorney Wilson until last Wednesday. At that time he requested us to step into the little dark room adjoining his office, and upon entering it, we "demanded to know if he proposed to do us up in the dark," and very excitedly he exclaimed, "Oh, no, he did not intend to waylay us," but he went on to say "that he had been our friend, a supporter of The Broad Ax, and after unbecomingly himself of a lot of other wild talk, he declared that "someone had informed him that it was our intention to have him arrested, simply because he was Col. "Pony" Moore's attorney." Mr. Wilson was informed by us "that we were not responsible for all the wildest statements in reference to our actions or intentions, and so far as we were concerned he had a perfect right to become the attorney for all the first-class gentlemen and gamblers in town; that we keenly realized the fact that he needed money to pay his office rent and to buy fine duds, so that he would be enabled to pose as a sham reformer."

Former Alderman, Mike McInerney, J. A. Haney and their followers, were not in the running with Alderman John J. Bradley, who swept through the 30th ward at the primaries last Saturday like a cyclone, and Haney only carried one primary district and received four votes in the Aldermanic convention which shows that everybody in the 30th Ward supported Alderman Bradley outside of a few sore-head, cheap pot-house politicians.

John W. Hardy, who has faithfully served as a Policeman in the Town of Lake for a long time, has through the influence of his friend, Alderman P. J. O'Connell, been promoted by Chief John M. Collins, and he is now togged up in citizens clothes, and serving on the Chief's special staff, and it is time to score another point for Chief Collins and Alderman O'Connell.

### It Was an Error.

In spite of our careflessness in writing the article on the marriage of Alderman John H. Jones to Miss Emma Wolf, of Savannah, Ga., our little office devil who thinks he knows everything changed our copy to read Savannah, N. C., whereas Mrs. Jones was born, raised and educated in Savannah, Ga.

## HOW DOLLAR MONEY IS USED

Bishops Are Above the Law---  
The Misappropriation of Funds  
Money Used for Personal Expenses---Widows and Orphans  
Neglected---The Way Out.

One of the wisest provisions for the support of the A. M. E. Church, is the Dollar Money law. Under this law, each minister is "To collect the sum of one dollar from or for, each member of his church for the maintenance of the church treasury;" that is, the general church treasury. The law further stipulates that "It shall be the duty of the bishops and ministers to use the greatest possible diligence in collecting the money thus asked for." No law in the discipline is so rigidly enforced by the bishops on the ministers as is this one.

When this money reaches the annual conference, the law says it shall be divided as follows: 46 per cent. to the Financial Secretary; 10 per cent. to the Secretary of Church Extension; 8 per cent. to the Secretary of Education; and 36 per cent. to the conference finance committee.

Of the 46 per cent. which goes to the Financial Secretary the law specifies that it shall be used as follows:

1. "For the support of efficient and inefficient bishops.
2. For the salaries of general officers.
3. To aid the Publication Department.
4. To aid needy colleges.
5. To aid the cause of missions.
6. For the relief of widows and orphans of deceased ministers and bishops.
7. To aid the Church Extension society.
8. The balance shall constitute a chartered fund, the interest of which shall be used for the support of supernannated bishops and preachers, and widows and orphans of bishops and itinerant preachers."

Certainly this law appeals to all as a wise and humane regulation for the fostering of all the interests of the church, and, better still, caring for the worn out bishops and preachers and the widows and orphans of those who have given their lives for the church.

Now of the 36 per cent. retained by the annual conference, the law specifies that the conference "shall appropriate the same to assist the widows and orphans of itinerant preachers who have not received their allowance." Surely between the general board and the annual conference finance committee, our worn out preachers, and our widows and orphans should be fairly well provided for, with all of this law in their favor. This is what we pastors must talk about when we want to inspire the people to pay their dollar money. But now we want to see how well this law is obeyed. In my first article I said that the Financial Board willfully and persistently violates the law. If I did not put it that strong, then, I wish to put it that way now; especially since the Christian Recorder says my "general charges must fall unless sustained by direct specification."

Now this money is used to pay the salaries of the bishops and such general officers as are specified in the discipline; but after that is done there seems to be no reference to the discipline in deciding what to do with the balance. For instance, in 1901, there was a world's meeting of Methodists

in London and it was right that our church should be represented there, with all the other Methodist families. Every loyal African Methodist assents to this. But where shall the expense of the delegation come from? Not a department in the church has the money to spare. A few ministers could raise it from their congregations some of the bishops could afford to go at their own expense. But no. We must have a large delegation and they must live high while in London. The Financial Board has money, entrusted to it by the people of the church with which to foster the departments of the church, and to care for the widows and orphans of itinerant preachers. So we will appoint each of the general officers a delegate, and that will close his mouth, and the poor worn out preachers and the widows and orphans can't make any fuss, anyhow; and we will appropriate \$7600.00 of the dollar money for the support of nineteen delegates, (\$400.00 each) for their trip to London. It must be remembered, also, that the board of each delegate was paid by the London church during the entire sitting of the conference. This I charge as a cold blooded "hold up" of the sacred funds of the church, and there is not one word of law to justify it. I have said this through the Christian Recorder more than a year ago, and no one has ever undertaken to answer my charge. Will some one assume the task now?

The year previous to this wholesale breach of trust, this same Financial Board purchased, or furnished the money to purchase a church in Chicago, known as the Institutional church. They bought this church for no other reason than to prevent the A. M. E. Zion church from getting it, as it was trying to do. We bought it when we did not have a single member to put in it, and when we already had Bethel, only eight squares away, on which we owed fifteen thousand dollars, and Quinn Chapel, fourteen squares away on which he owed twenty-five thousand dollars. Now the thirty thousand dollars to pay for this Institutional church comes direct from the dollar money. Under what clause of the dollar money law. I ask, can money be taken to buy churches in Chicago, or anywhere else? Some one may try to say that this is assisting the church extension society, but it is not. The church extension society is to aid needy churches. Purchasing a new church where we already have more than we can pay for, is not aiding needy churches. Every dollar put into that church by the Financial Board was, and is a misappropriation, and a breach of trust.

This same Financial Board has purchased another building in Washington, for, I believe thirty thousand dollars. Now they had a good four story building there, in which the secretary's office was, and where he resided. This, however, was not a corner building, though on a prominent street and only a few doors from the new building. The old building was not sold, but the new one is now occupied, by the secretary, where he hospitably entertains any preacher of the connection.

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